

Environmental Division Fort Collins, Colorado



# GC/MS Volatiles Case Narrative

# **Boston Chemical Corp**

#### **Gulf Coast**

Work Order Number: 1008161

1. This report consists of 1 water sample. The sample was received cool and intact by ALS on 08/13/10. The vial for the sample contained headspace prior to analysis because it was not received headspace free into the volatiles laboratory.

The sample provided for volatiles had a pH > 2 at the time of analysis.

- 2. The sample was prepared according to SW-846, 3rd Edition procedures. Specifically, the water sample was prepared by purging 5 mL using purge and trap procedures based on Method 5030C.
- 3. The sample was analyzed using GC/MS with an RTX-624, RTX-VMS, or equivalent capillary column according to SOP 525 Revision 14 based on SW-846 Method 8260. All positive results were quantitated against the initial calibration standards using the internal standard technique. The identification of positive results was achieved by a comparison of the retention time and mass spectrum of the sample versus the daily calibration standard.
- 4. All initial calibration criteria for SW-846 Method 8260C were met.
- 5. All initial calibrations are verified by comparing a second source standard calibration verification (ICV) against the calibration curve. All criteria for initial calibration verification were met.
- 6. All criteria for were met in daily (continuing) calibration verifications (CCV).
- 7. Methylene chloride, acetone and 2-butanone are common laboratory contaminants. In order to minimize the levels of these compounds detected in the gc/ms analysis, ALS has designated its volatile laboratory as a restricted access area. In addition, the laboratory has been equipped with a dedicated, air intake and exhaust system that operates under positive pressure in order to minimize cross contamination of these compounds. Due to fluctuations in ambient laboratory conditions, reported sample values for common laboratory contaminants may be due to lab contamination even if the compound in question is not detected in the associated method blank.



All method blank criteria were met.

- 8. All laboratory control sample and laboratory control sample duplicate recoveries and RPDs were within the acceptance criteria.
- 9. Since a sample from this order number was not the selected quality control (QC) sample, matrix specific QC results are not included in this report.
- 10. The sample was analyzed within the established holding time.
- 11. All surrogate recoveries were within acceptable limits with the following exception:

	Sample	Direction
4-Bromofluorobenzene	1	High

The sample was re-analyzed to evaluate whether the original outlier was due to matrix effects or laboratory performance. The re-analysis also had surrogates outside the control limits, which suggests the presence of matrix effects.

- 12. All internal standard recoveries were within acceptance criteria.
- 13. Manual integrations are performed when needed to provide consistent and defensible data following the guidelines in SOP 939 Revision 3. The chromatographic data system marks the manual integrations with an m on the quantitation report. Whenever manual integrations are performed, before and after chromatograms of the peak that was manually integrated are included in the report along with the reason why the re-integration was necessary.

The data contained in the following report have been reviewed and approved by the personnel listed below. In addition, ALS certifies that the analyses reported herein are true, complete and correct within the limits of the methods employed.

Sharon L. Jobes

Organics Primary Data Reviewer

Date

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Organics Final Data Reviewer



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Data Qualifier Flags
Chromatography and Mass Spectrometry

U or ND: This flag indicates that the compound was analyzed for but not detected.

J: This flag indicates an estimated value. This flag is used as follows: (1) when estimating a concentration for tentatively identified compounds (TICs) where a 1:1 response is assumed; (2) when the mass spectral and retention time data indicate the presence of a compound that meets the volatile and semivolatile GC/MS identification criteria, and the result is less than the reporting limit (RL) but greater than the method detection limit (MDL); (3) when the retention time data indicate the presence of a compound that meets the GC identification criteria, and the result is less than the RL but greater than the MDL; and (4) the reported value is estimated.

B: This flag is used when the analyte is detected in the associated method blank as well as in the sample. It indicates probable blank contamination and warns the data user. This flag shall be used for a tentatively identified compound (TIC) as well as for a positively identified target compound.

E: This flag identifies compounds whose concentration exceeds the upper level of the calibration range.

A: This flag indicates that a tentatively identified compound is a suspected aldol-condensation product.

X: This flag indicates that the analyte was diluted below an accurate quantitation level.

\*: This flag indicates that a spike recovery is equal to or outside the control criteria used.

+: This flag indicates that the relative percent difference (RPD) equals or exceeds the control criteria.

# **ALS Environmental -- FC**

# Sample Number(s) Cross-Reference Table

Paragon OrderNum: 1008161

Client Name: Boston Chemical Corp

Client Project Name: Gulf Coast

Client Project Number: Client PO Number:

Client Sample Number	Lab Sample Number	COC Number	Matrix	Date Collected	Time Collected
DWH 151 W	1008161-1		WATER	10-Aug-10	6:35

Date Printed: Monday, August 23, 2010



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Client: AL Burling for Workorder No: 1008/6  Project Manager: TIT Unitials: Ord Date:		_
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Does this project require any special handling in addition to standard Paragon procedures?	YES	NO
Are custody seals on shipping containers intact?  NONE	YES	MO
Are Custody seals on sample containers intact?	YES	NO ·
Is there a COC (Chain-of-Custody) present or other representative documents?	(YES)	МО
6. Are the COC and bottle labels complete and legible?	YES	NO
Is the COC in agreement with samples received? (IDs, dates, times, no. of samples, no. of containers, matrix, requested analyses, etc.)	YES	NO
7. Were airbills / shipping documents present and/or removable?	YES	NO
Are all aqueous samples requiring preservation preserved correctly? (excluding volatiles)	YZS	, NO
Are all aqueous non-preserved samples pH 4-9?  N/A	YES	NO
10. Is there sufficient sample for the requested analyses?	YES	NO
Were all samples placed in the proper containers for the requested analyses?	YES	NO
12. Are all samples within holding times for the requested analyses?	(TES)	NO
13. Were all sample containers received intact? (not broken or leaking, etc.)	YES)	NO
14. Are all samples requiring no headspace (VOC, GRO, RSK/MEE, Rx CN/S, radon) headspace free? Size of bubble: < green pea > green pea	YES	NO
15. Do perchlorate LCMS-MS samples have headspace? (at least 1/3 of container required)	YES	NO
(Applicable when PM has indicated samples are from a chlorinated water source; note if field preservation with sodium thiosulfate was not observed.)	YES	NO
17. Were the samples shipped on ice?	YES	NO
18. Were cooler temperatures measured at 0.1-6.0°C? IR gun used*: #2 #4 ONLY	YES	NO
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Acceptance Information Background µR/hr reading:	08.)	
Were external μR/hr readings ≤ two times background and within DOT acceptance criteria? YES / NO NA (If xo, see Form 00 Additional Information: PROVIDE DETAILS BELOW FOR A NO RESPONSE TO ANY QUESTION ABOVE, EXCEPT 10 Additional Information:		
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# **GC/MS Volatiles**

#### Method SW8260 Method Blank

Lab Name: ALS Environmental -- FC

Work Order Number: 1008161

Client Name: Boston Chemical Corp

ClientProject ID: Gulf Coast

Lab ID: VL100813-3MB

Sample Matrix: WATER
% Moisture: N/A
Date Collected: N/A

Date Extracted: 13-Aug-10
Date Analyzed: 13-Aug-10
Prep Method: SW5030 Rev C

Prep Batch: VL100813-3 QCBatchID: VL100813-3-1

> Run ID: VL100813-3A Cleanup: NONE

Basis: N/A File Name: C23241 Sample Aliquot: 5 ml Final Volume: 5 ml Result Units: UG/L

Clean DF: 1

CASNO	Target Analyte	DF	Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	EPA Qualifier
104-76-7	2-ETHYLHEXANOL	1	10	10	U	

### **Surrogate Recovery**

CASNO	Surrogate Analyte	Result	Flag	Spike Amount	Percent Recovery	Control Limits
460-00-4	4-BROMOFLUOROBENZENE	50.5		50	101	74 - 123

Data Package ID: VL1008161-1

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# **GC/MS Volatiles**

#### Method SW8260 **Sample Results**

Lab Name: ALS Environmental -- FC

Work Order Number: 1008161

Client Name: Boston Chemical Corp

ClientProject ID: Gulf Coast

Field ID: DWH 151 W Lab ID: 1008161-1

Sample Matrix: WATER % Moisture: N/A Date Collected: 10-Aug-10

Date Extracted: 13-Aug-10 Date Analyzed: 13-Aug-10

Prep Method: SW 5030 Rev C

Prep Batch: VL100813-3 QCBatchID: VL100813-3-1

Run ID: VL100813-3A Cleanup: NONE

Basis: As Received File Name: C23250

Sample Aliquot:	5 ml
Final Volume:	5 ml
Result Units: UG/L	
Clean DF:	1

CASNO	Target Analyte	Dilution Factor	Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	EPA Qualifier
104-76-7	2-ETHYLHEXANOL	1	23	10		

### **Surrogate Recovery**

CASNO	Surrogate Analyte	Result	Flag	Spike Amount	Percent Recovery	Control Limits
460-00-4	4-BROMOFLUOROBENZENE	68.2	*	50	136	74 - 123

Data Package ID: VL1008161-1

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#### **GC/MS Volatiles**

#### Method SW8260

#### **Laboratory Control Sample and Laboratory Control Sample Duplicate**

Lab Name: ALS Environmental -- FC

Work Order Number: 1008161

Client Name: Boston Chemical Corp

ClientProject ID: Gulf Coast

Lab ID: VL100813-3LCS

Sample Matrix: WATER % Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: N/A **Date Extracted: 08/13/2010** Date Analyzed: 08/13/2010 Prep Method: SW 5030C

Prep Batch: VL100813-3

QCBatchID: VL100813-3-1 Run ID: VL100813-3A Cleanup: NONE

Basis: N/A File Name: C23238 Sample Aliquot: 5 ml **Final Volume:** 5 ml

> Result Units: UG/L Clean DF:

CASNO	Target Analyte	Spike Added	LCS Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	LCS % Rec.	Control Limits
104-76-7	2-ETHYLHEXANOL	40	37.8	10		94	50 - 150%

Lab ID: VL100813-3LCSD

Sample Matrix: WATER % Moisture: N/A

Date Collected: N/A **Date Extracted: 08/13/2010** Date Analyzed: 08/13/2010 Prep Method: SW 5030C

Prep Batch: VL100813-3 QCBatchID: VL100813-3-1 Run ID: VL100813-3A

Cleanup: NONE Basis: N/A

Sample Aliquot: 5 ml **Final Volume:** 5 ml Result Units: UG/L

Clean DF: File Name: C23239

CASNO	Target Analyte	Spike Added	LCSD Result	Reporting Limit	Result Qualifier	LCSD % Rec.	RPD Limit	RPD
104-76-7	2-ETHYLHEXANOL	40	35.3	10		88	20	7

#### Surrogate Recovery LCS/LCSD

CASNO	Target Analyte	Spike Added	LCS % Rec.	LCS Flag	LCSD % Rec.	LCSD Flag	Control Limits
460-00-4	4-BROMOFLUOROBENZENE	50	101		103		74 - 123

Data Package ID: VL1008161-1